### PATENT APPLICATION

#### IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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For: BRANCHED CARBOXYLIC ACID COMPOUND AND USE THEREOF

# AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

# MAIL STOP AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents

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Sir:

A petition and the required fee are submitted herewith for a two (2) month extension of time to extend the time period for reply to the Office Action dated September 19, 2008 from December 19, 2008 to February 19, 2009.

In response to the Office Action dated September 19, 2008, please amend the aboveidentified application as follows on the accompanying pages.

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